



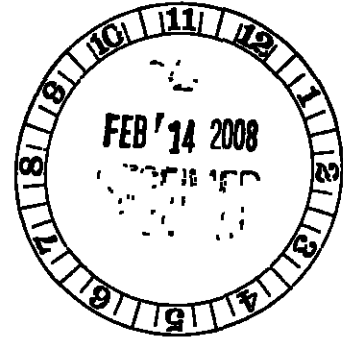
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Surface Transportation Board
ATTN: Anne Quinlan, Acting Secretary
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Re Environmental Report, Historic Report and Required Certifications for
Docket No AB-43 (Sub-No 183X),
Illinois Central Railroad Company — Notice of Exemption for
Abandonment in Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee

Dear Ms Quinlan

Illinois Central Railroad Company ("IC") intends to file a Notice of Exemption for the
above-referenced proposed abandonment any time on or after March 6, 2008. Enclosed
for the above-referenced Abandonment Exemption are the following documents, which
are required by 49 C F R Part 1105

- 1 An original and ten copies of the Environmental/Historic Report
- 2 An original and ten copies of the transmittal letter that accompanied the reports,
and
- 3 An original and ten copies of a certificate demonstrating compliance with the
requirements of 49 C F R Part 1105

Please stamp and return the duplicate copy of this letter to my attention to indicate that
you received the items listed

Feel free to call me if you have any questions

Respectfully submitted,

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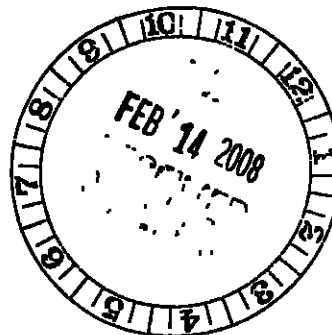
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Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee - Docket AB-43 (Sub-No. 183X)**

To Whom It May Concern

Any time on or after March 6, 2008, Illinois Central Railroad Company ("IC") expects to file with the Surface Transportation Board ("STB") a Notice of Exemption seeking authority to abandon a railroad line located between milepost 48.51 and milepost 47.50, a distance of 1.01 miles, in Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee. Enclosed is an Environmental Report and a Historic Report describing the proposed action and any expected environmental and historical effects, as well as a map of the affected area.

We are providing this report so that you may review the information that will form the basis for the STB's independent environmental and historical analysis of this proceeding. If any of the information is misleading or incorrect, if you believe that pertinent information is missing, or if you have any questions about the STB's environmental and historic review process, please contact their Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA), at the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E. Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20423-0001, (202) 245-0245, and refer to the above docket number.

IC will file the Environmental Report and Historic Report with the STB on or about February 13, 2008. Because the applicable statutes and regulations impose stringent deadlines for processing this action, your written comments to the STB (with a copy to the undersigned) would be appreciated within three weeks. Your comments will be considered by the STB in evaluating the environmental and historical impact of the contemplated action.

If there are any questions concerning this proposal, please contact the undersigned directly at (708) 332-4381 or by mail at the above address.

Sincerely,

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Docket No AB-43 (Sub-No. 183X)

ILLINOIS CENTRAL
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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FOR
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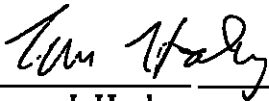
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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH 49 C F R PART 1105

I hereby certify that on February 13, 2008, copies of the Environmental Report and Historic Report for the above-captioned proceeding were served on the agencies listed at 49 C F R § 1105 7(b), all agencies consulted in preparing the reports, and on the Tennessee Department of Archives and History. A service list is attached and incorporated into this certificate as Attachment A. The reports have been sent within the time period specified, as Illinois Central Railroad Company intends to file its Notice of Exemption in the above-captioned matter no earlier than March 6, 2008. All appropriate agencies as listed in 49 C F R § 1105 7(c) have been consulted well in advance of preparing the Environmental Report.

I also certify that a newspaper notice was published on November 25, 2007, in *The State Gazette/Dyersburg News*, a newspaper of general circulation in Dyer County, Tennessee. The notice alerted the public to the proposed abandonment, to possible reuse alternatives, and to procedures for participating in the STB proceeding. A copy of the notice is attached to this certificate as Attachment B.

Dated this 13th day of February, 2008



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I, Jina Jeffries, business manager of the State Gazette, a newspaper published at Dyersburg, Tennessee, hereby certify that the annexed advertisement has been published _____ consecutive/ non-consecutive days/weeks in said paper on the following dates: 11-25 and that the fee of \$66.88 has/has not been paid.

Jina Jeffries

This 26th day of November, 2007

Linda Flowers, Notary Public

Commission expires: March 1, 2010



Legals

AMERICAN CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY gives notice that on or after July 4, 2004, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F-Exempt Abandonments, permitting the abandonment of 10.1 miles of line of railroad, starting at the point of turnout from the main line, approximately milepost 48.51 and ending at milepost 47.50 in Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee, which line traverses through U.S. Postal Zip Code 38024. There is one station located along this line. The proceeding will be docketed as AB-43 (Sub No. 183X).

The Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA), which will normally be available 25 days after the filing of the notice of exemption. Comments on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later than 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public and will be addressed in a Board decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to the SEA, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E. Street SW, Washington, DC 20423 or by calling that office at (202) 245-0245.

Appropriate offers of financial assistance to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions, or rail bank/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than environmental issues (such as trails use, public use, and offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Office of the Secretary, 395 E. Street SW, Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on applicant's representative [See 49 CFR 1104.12(a)]. Questions regarding offers

BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DOCKET NO AB-43 (SUB-NO 183X)

ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY
-- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION --
IN DYER COUNTY, TENNESSEE

ENVIRONMENTAL/HISTORIC REPORT

Illinois Central Railroad Company, ("IC") submits this Environmental/Historic Report in compliance with the reporting requirements of 49 C F R §§1105.7 and 1105.8. Supporting correspondence and certifications are attached. It is the conclusion of this Report that the proposed abandonment, if implemented, will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT - 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(e)

1 Proposed Action and Alternatives IC seeks to abandon its line of railroad extending from the point of turnout from the main line, approximately milepost 48.51 to milepost 47.50 in Dyersburg, Tennessee, (the "Line"). The Line is situated in Dyer County, Tennessee and extends a total distance of approximately 1.01 miles.

The Line has not been required to serve any customer in many years. The Line was formerly the GM&O line that ran from Bemis, Tennessee, 48 miles northwest to Dyersburg, Tennessee, where it connected with the Fulton and Hickman Districts. There have been no rail shipments of any kind on the Line in the last two years, and no reasonable possibility for the development of new rail traffic exists.

Following abandonment, IC intends to salvage rail ties and track materials from the Line. There are two bridges and three grade crossings (two private and one public), which will also be removed.

MP 47.57 - Private, At Grade,

MP 48.40 - Private, At Grade, and

MP 48.47 - Public, At Grade.

No alternatives to the proposed abandonment have been considered. A map showing the location of the Line is attached herein as **Appendix A**.

IC has contacted and requested comments from the Tennessee Clearinghouse for Finance and Administration. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix B**. There have been no comments to date.

IC has contacted and requested comments from a Dyer County Alderman. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix C**. There have been no comments to date.

2 Transportation System IC does not anticipate that existing regional or local transportation systems or patterns will be affected by the proposed abandonment. No rail service is currently provided on the Line. Thus, no traffic will be diverted to other transportation systems or modes as a result of the proposed abandonment. There is no overhead traffic on the Line, and no passenger trains are operated over the Line.

IC has contacted and requested comments from the State of Tennessee Department of Transportation. The Department anticipates that the proposed abandonment will have no adverse effects on the community. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix D**.

3 Land Use

(i) IC does not foresee any inconsistency with regional and/or local land use plans, but has contacted and requested comments from the NOAA/National Geodetic Survey. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix E**. There have been no comments to date.

(ii) The proposed abandonment lies entirely within the limits of Dyer County, Tennessee. The US Department of Agriculture has been contacted and comments requested. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix F**. No comments have been received to this date.

(iii) IC believes this track does not lie within a designated Coastal Zone Management Area and, accordingly, the proposed abandonment will not affect any land or water uses in such an area or result in any coastal impacts. See IC's correspondence to the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management attached herein as **Appendix G**. No comments have been received to date.

(iv) IC is not aware of any alternative public use under 49 U.S.C. § 10905 for which the right-of-way of this track would be suitable, other than possibly a trail.

4 Energy

(i) The proposed abandonment will not have any effect on the transportation of energy resources. No energy resource commodities move on the Line, and IC foresees little or no possibility that such on-line traffic would develop in the future.

(ii) The movement and/or recovery of recyclable commodities will not be adversely affected by this abandonment. No such traffic has been handled on this line for many years (if ever), and IC foresees little or no possibility that any online recyclable commodity traffic would develop in the future.

(iii) Abandonment will not result in an increase or decrease in overall energy efficiency. There is no freight traffic on the Line and thus there will be no changes in existing transportation patterns or energy usage as a result of the proposed abandonment.

(iv) Not applicable. Abandonment of the Line will not cause the diversion of more than 1,000 rail carloads per year or an average of 50 rail carloads per mile per year to motor carriers.

5 Air

(i) Not applicable. Abandonment will not result in (A) a minimum increase in rail traffic of 100% or eight trains per day on any segment of rail line, (B) an increase in rail yard activity of at least 100%, or (C) an average increase in truck traffic of more than 10% of the average daily traffic or 50 vehicles per day on any road segment.

(ii) Not applicable. Abandonment of the Line will not result in traffic increases which exceed the thresholds specified in 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(e)(5)(ii)(A), (B) or (C).

(iii) Not applicable. This is an abandonment of a line on which there have been no customers for at least two years and there is no overhead traffic on the line.

6 Noise Not applicable. As indicated above, none of the thresholds identified in 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(e)(5)(i) will be exceeded as a result of the abandonment.

7 Safety

(i) The proposed action will have no adverse effect upon public health or safety. Abandonment of the line will allow elimination of three grade crossings. During any salvage operations on the Line, precautions will be taken to ensure public safety.

(ii) Not applicable To IC's knowledge, no hazardous commodities were ever handled on this Line Accordingly, the proposed abandonment will have no effect on the transportation of hazardous materials

(iii) To the best of IC's knowledge, there are no known hazardous waste sites or any hazardous waste materials involved Therefore, IC believes that its abandonment will not have any adverse impact on this site

8 Biological Resources

(i) The U S Fish and Wildlife Service have been contacted and we have requested comments This abandonment will not affect the wetland, nor is there any endangered or threatened species present in this area See correspondence attached as **Appendix H**

(ii) IC believes that the Line does not pass through or adjacent to any wildlife sanctuaries or refuges or any national or state parks or forests and, accordingly, none will be adversely affected IC has contacted and requested comments from the National Park Service See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix I** There has been no response to date

9 Water

(i) IC has contacted the US Environmental Protection Agency – Office of Water, to determine whether the proposed abandonment is consistent with applicable federal, state and local water quality standards See correspondence attached hereto as **Appendix J** That office transferred our correspondence to the Regional Office for comments IC has also contacted that office directly and no comments have been received See correspondence attached hereto as **Appendix K**

(ii) The Army Corps of Engineers has been contacted to determine if the proposed abandonment requires permits under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act See

correspondence attached herein as **Appendix L**. The Department of the Army has concluded that a permit will not be required for the proposed work.

IC also believes that removal of the rails will not affect any existing wetlands. In addition, abandonment should not impact any 100-year floodplain if no additional fill is placed in any floodplain.

10 **Proposed Mitigation** As no adverse impact is anticipated, IC does not propose any mitigation activities.

HISTORIC REPORT - 49 C.F.R. § 1105.8(d)

1 **Map** A map of the Line is attached hereto as **Appendix A**.

2 **Description of Line** IC seeks to abandon its line of railroad extending from the point of turnout from the main line, approximately milepost 48.51 to milepost 47.50 in Dyersburg, Tennessee, (the "Line"). The Line is situated in Dyer County, Tennessee and extends a total distance of approximately 1.01 miles.

3 **Photographs** Attached as **Appendix M** are color photographs of the two bridges located on this Line. These photographs have been provided to the State Historic Preservation Officer ("SHPO") within the Tennessee Historic Preservation Society.

4 **Information on Structures** There are two bridges within the proposed Line abandonment. Each bridge is a timber structure, constructed in the 1930's, and rebuilt in 1971. There are also three grade crossings in the proposed abandonment.

5 **History of Operations** The line ran from Bemis, TN northwest to Dyersburg, TN. Aside from serving Roellen Gin Co., there were no industries served until mile 47.5 at Dyersburg, where a spur track served Thomas Industries. Dyersburg was also where the Hickman District connected with the Fulton District.

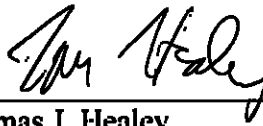
6 Engineering Documents To the best of IC's knowledge, it does not have any relevant engineering documents for the Dyersburg District

7 Historic Criteria As noted above, there are two bridges located within the proposed abandonment area that were built in the 1930's and rebuilt in 1971. IC has contacted and given notice of the proposed abandonment to The State Historic Preservation Office within the Tennessee Historical Society. See correspondence attached as **Appendix N**. The SHPO has informed IC that they have no reservations with the proposed project.

8 Ground Disturbances IC is unaware of any possibility that archaeological resources may be in the area. Access to the line is generally good.

Dated _____, 2008

Respectfully submitted.



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Re Illinois Central Railroad Proposed Abandonment in Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee
AB-43 (Sub-No 183X)

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**RE: ICRR Proposed Abandonment in Dyersburg, Dyer Co.
TN AB-43 (Sub-No.183X)**

Dear Mr. Healey:

Thank you for your letter dated October 26, 2007 and the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned activity.

Our offices of Archaeology, Ecology and Historic Preservation in our Environmental Division have read your submission concerning the track abandonment activity in Dyer County. Based on the assumption that track abandonment will cause no ground disturbance, we see no potential adverse effects from this action. We would appreciate a review opportunity of the Environmental Report.

If the department can be of assistance to you regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Harold Jackson, Interim Director of our Environmental Division, at 615-741-3655.

Sincerely,

**Gerald F. Nicely
Commissioner**

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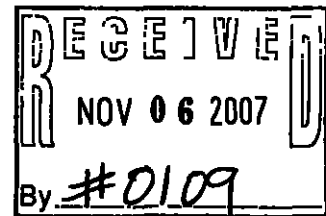
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No significant adverse impacts to wetlands
or federally listed endangered or threatened
species are anticipated from this proposal.


Leah Bailey
Field Supervisor Date 11/28/07
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WASHINGTON, D C 20460

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Mr Thomas J Healey
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Dear Mr Healey

Thank you for your October 28, 2007, letter to the Environmental Protection Agency regarding Illinois Central Railroad proposed abandonment in Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee.

Since this letter deals with a specific issue in Tennessee, not a general policy or program question We are transferring it to our regional office EPA's Region 4 office is located at 61 Forsyth Street, SW, 14TH floor, Atlanta, Georgia I have forwarded your letter to them for response by their office You should hear from them in the near future

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wanda R. Fields", is written over a horizontal line.

Wanda R Fields
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
MEMPHIS DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
167 NORTH MAIN STREET B-202
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE 38103-1894

REPLY TO

November 15, 2007

Operations Division
Regulatory Branch

Mr Thomas Healey
Illinois Central Railroad Company
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Dear Mr Healey

This is in reference to your recent request to abandon approximately 1.01 mile of railroad line starting at the point of turnout from the main line, approximately MO 48 51, and ending at the end of the track, at MP 47 50 in Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee as shown on the attached map. Based on the information you provided as well as other information available to us, our approved jurisdictional determination (JD) is that there is a water of the United States within the proposed abandonment but it will not be impacted by the project. Therefore, no Corps of Engineers permit is involved with the project. You may accept or appeal this JD or provide new information. The JD form is posted on our web page at <http://www.mvm.usace.army.mil/regulatory/JD/AJD.htm>. If you object to this determination, please contact us for information on administrative appeals.

This determination is valid for five years from the date of this letter, unless new information warrants revision of the determination before the expiration date, or unless the District Engineer has identified, after public notice and comment, that specific geographic areas with rapidly changing environmental conditions merit re-verification on a more frequent basis.

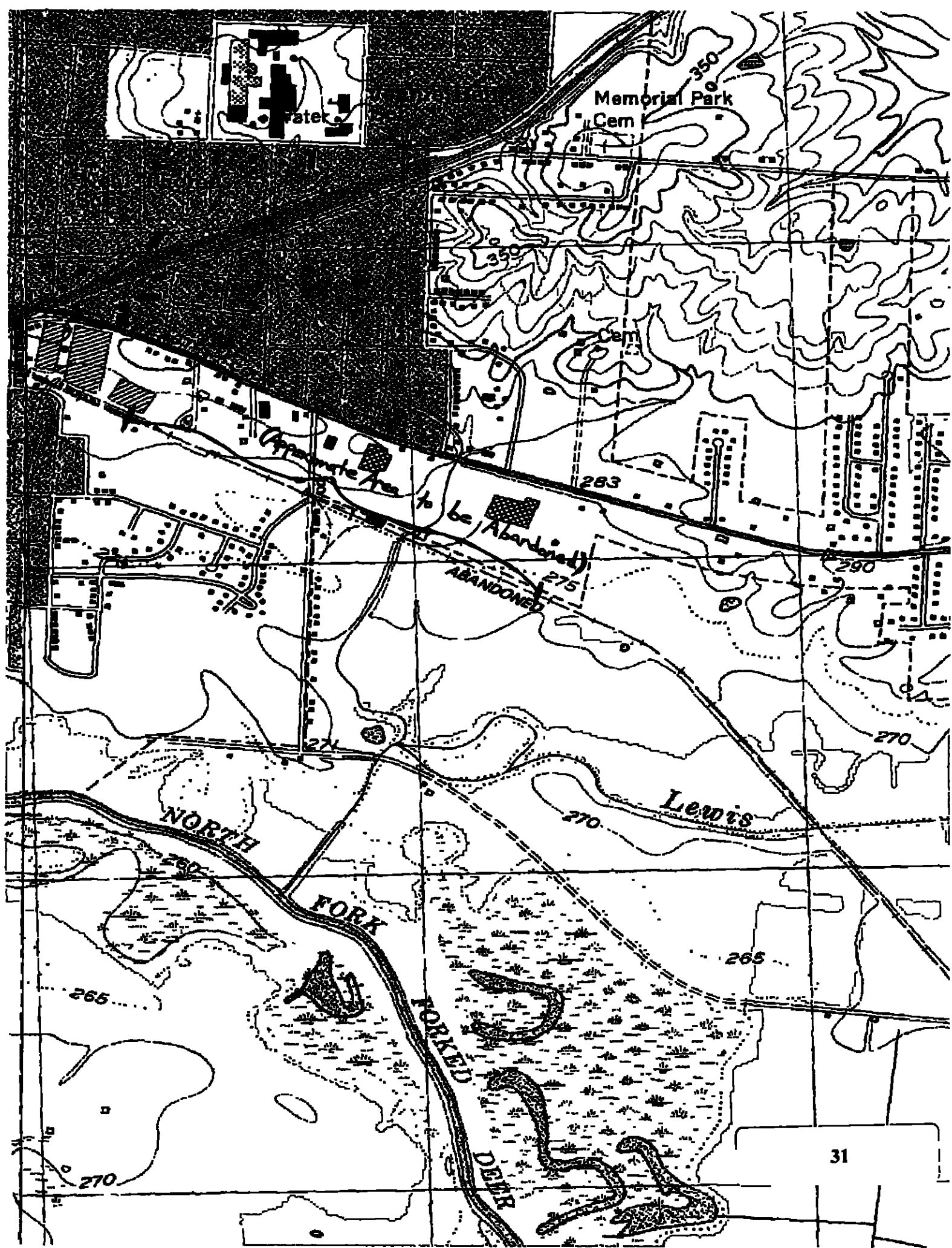
A customer service survey is available on our website at www.mvm.usace.army.mil/regulatory/customer_survey.htm. Results from this survey are used to help us determine areas in which we need to improve. Please feel free to print a copy and return it to us. Your comments, positive or negative, will not affect any current or future dealing with the Corps of Engineers.

If you have questions, please contact Josh Bright at (901) 544-0926 and refer to File No MVM-2007-568.

Sincerely,

Larry D. Watson
Chief
Regulatory Branch

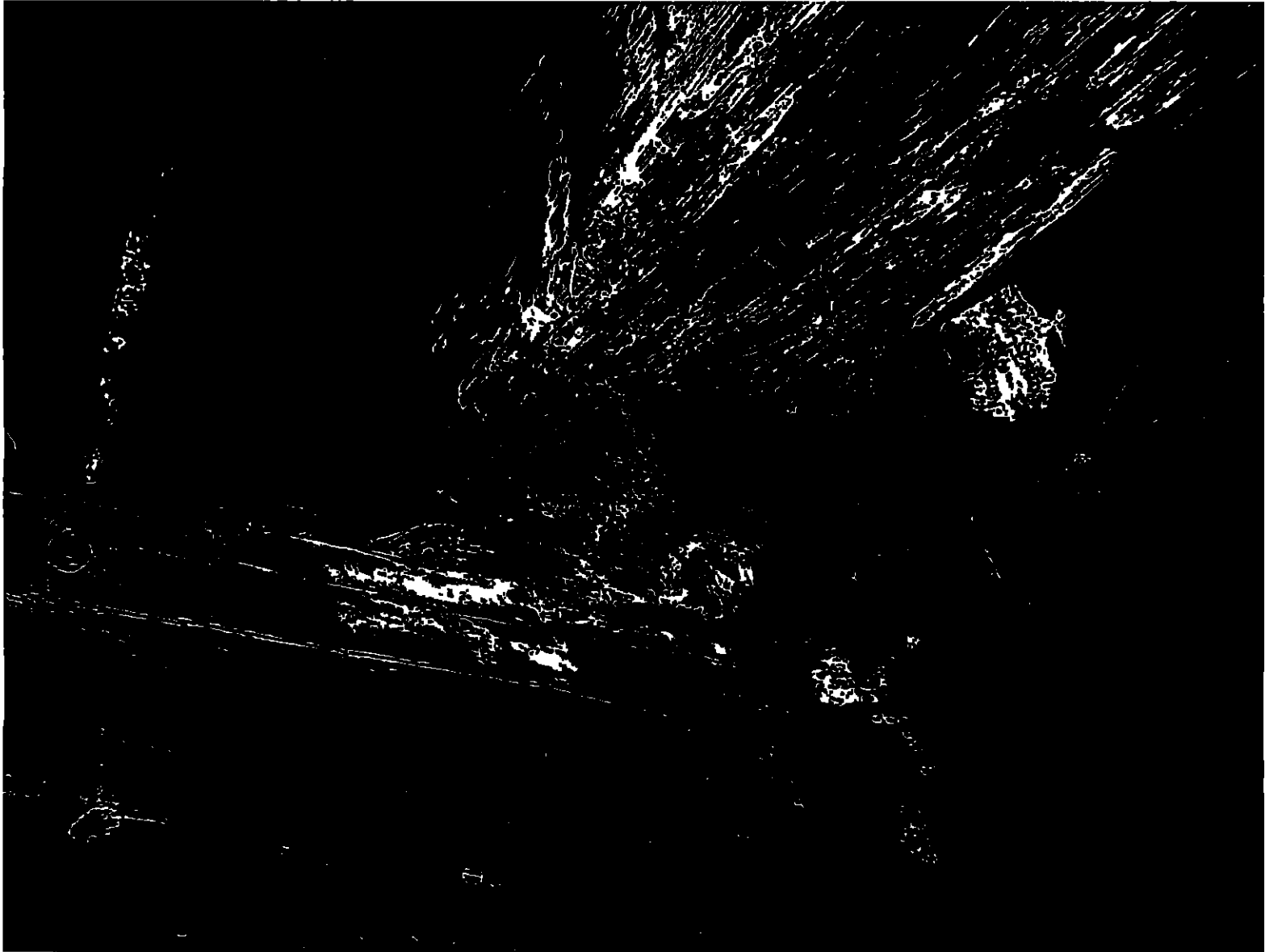
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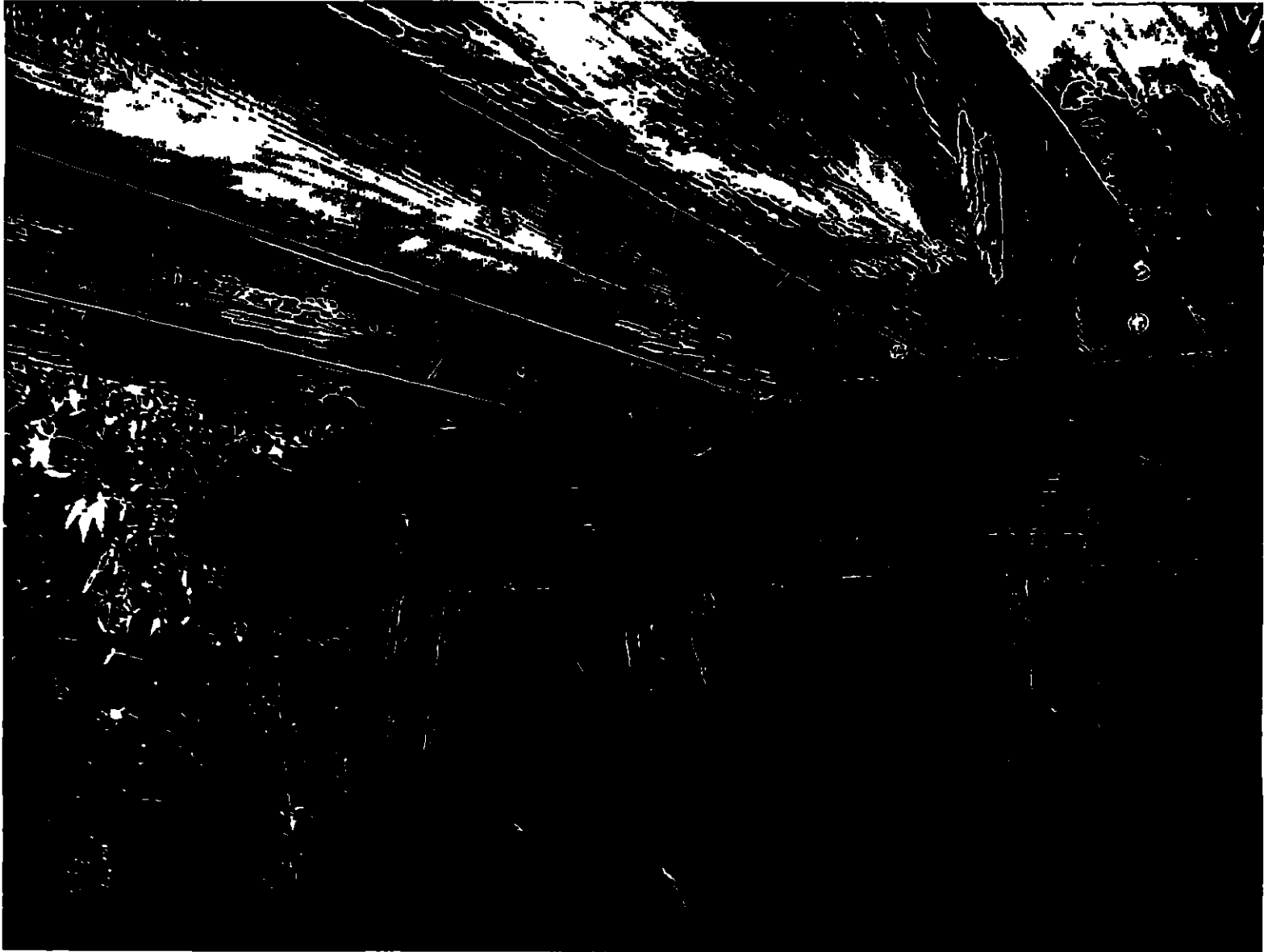
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Tennessee, AB-43 (Sub-No 183X)

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Thank you for your assistance. Please call me should you have questions.

Very truly yours,

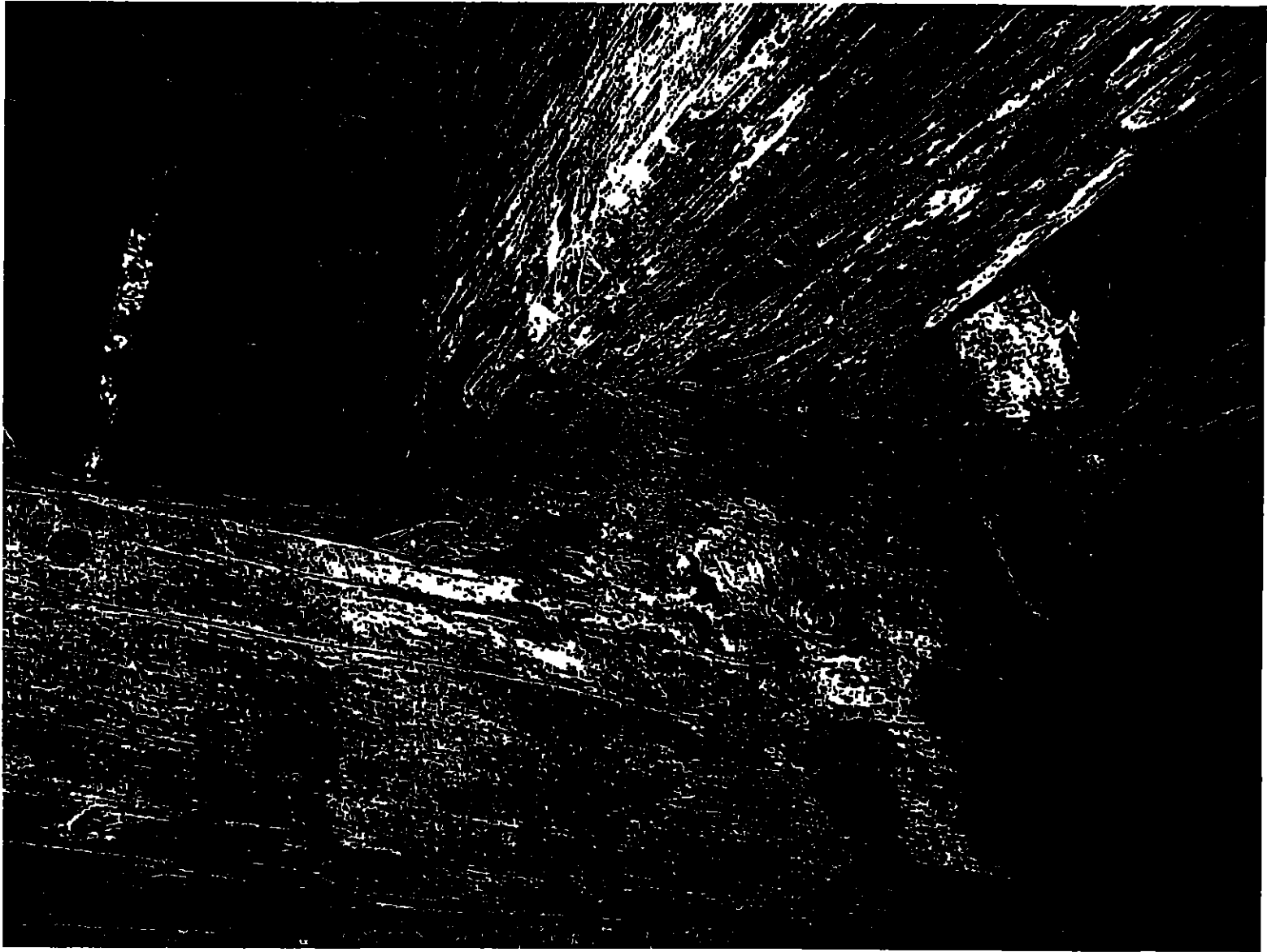
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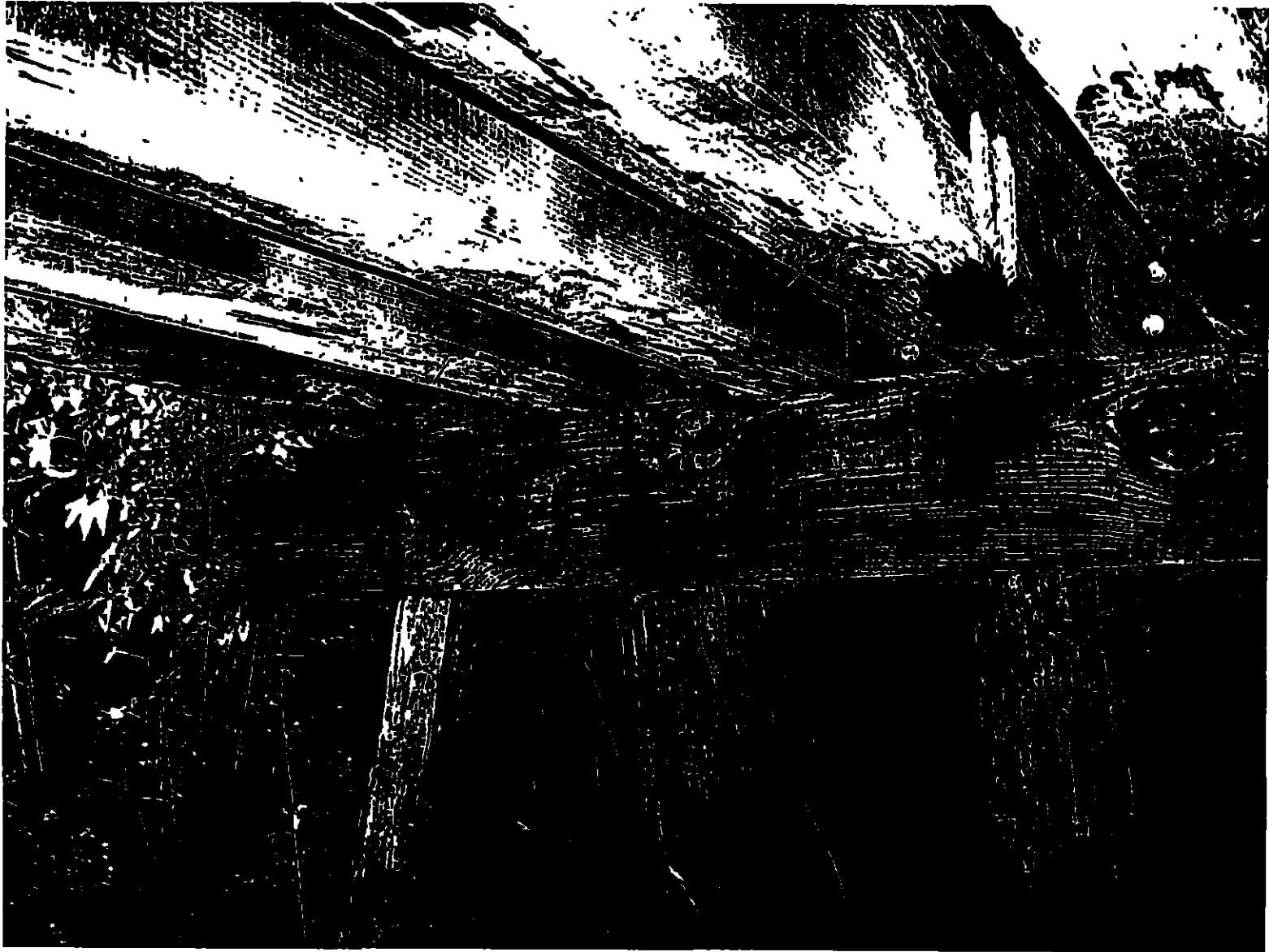
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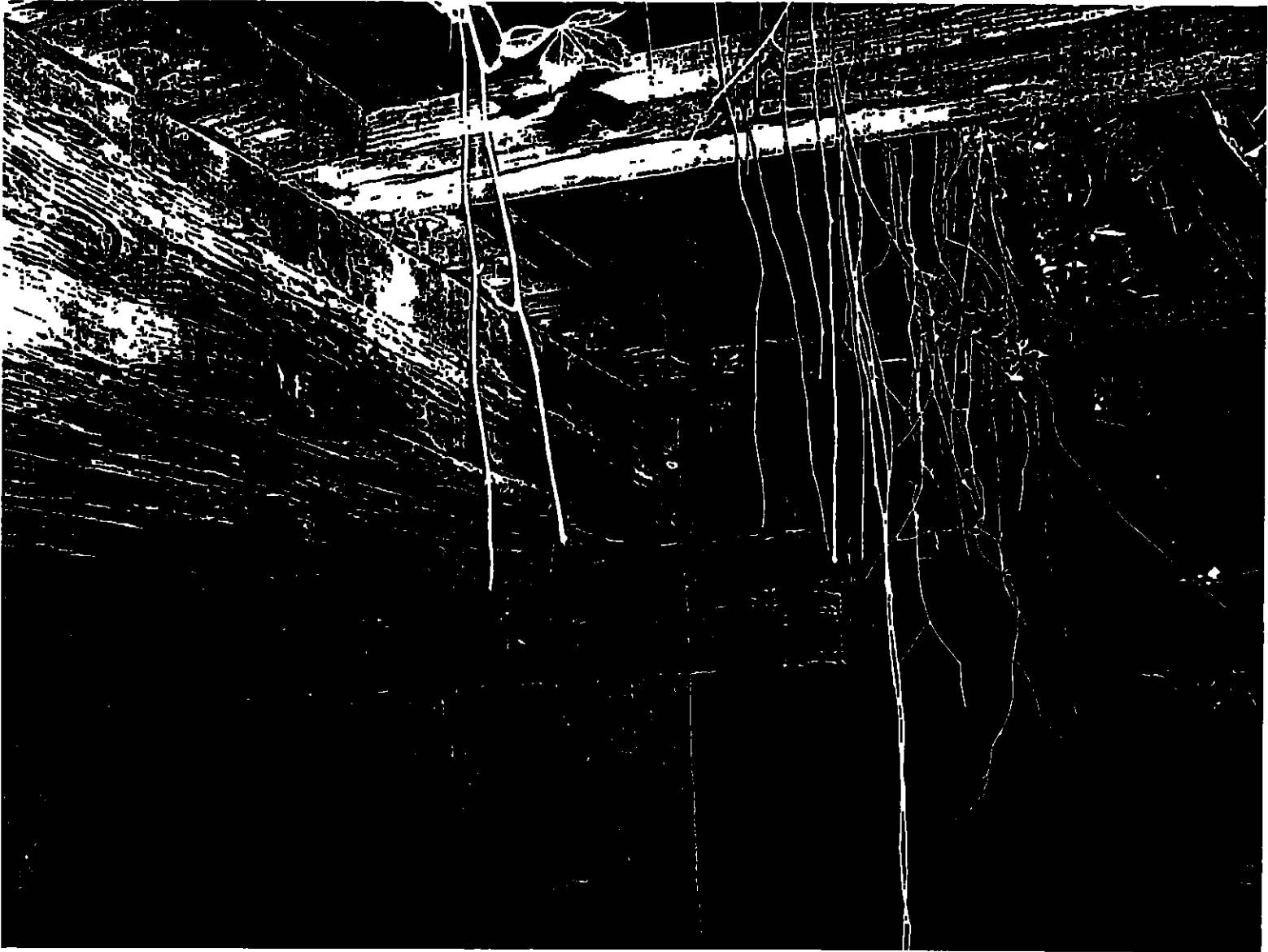
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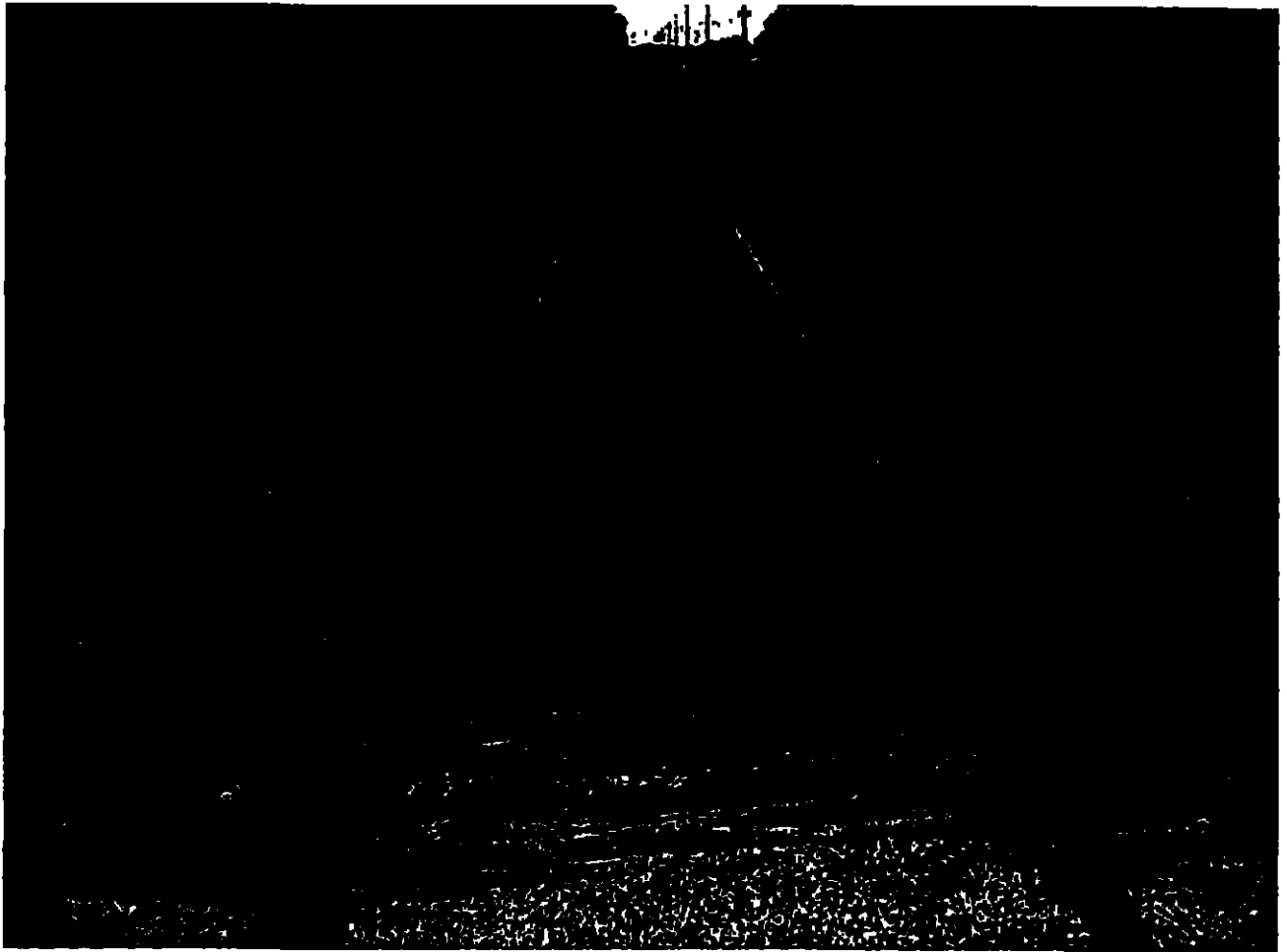
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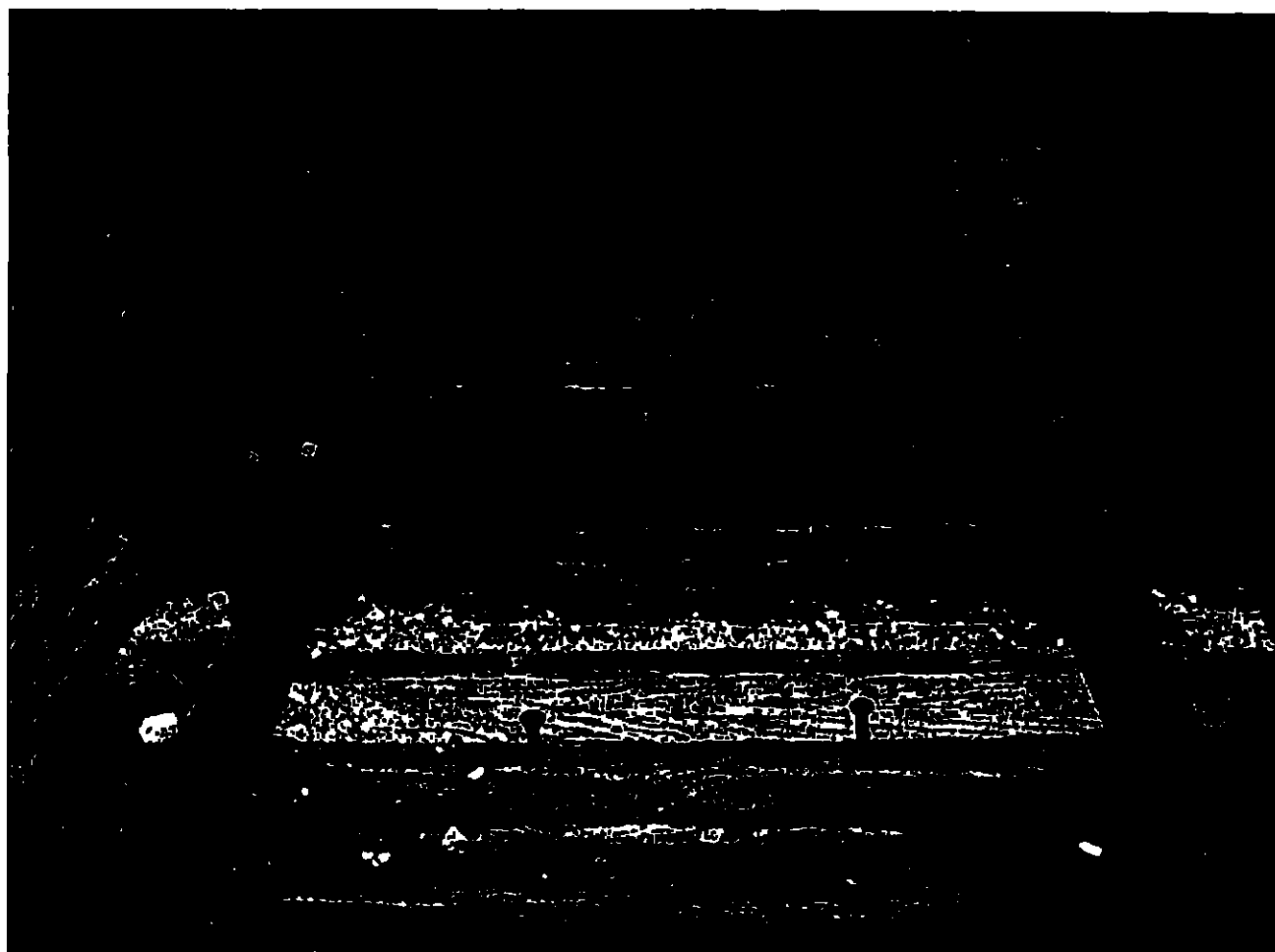
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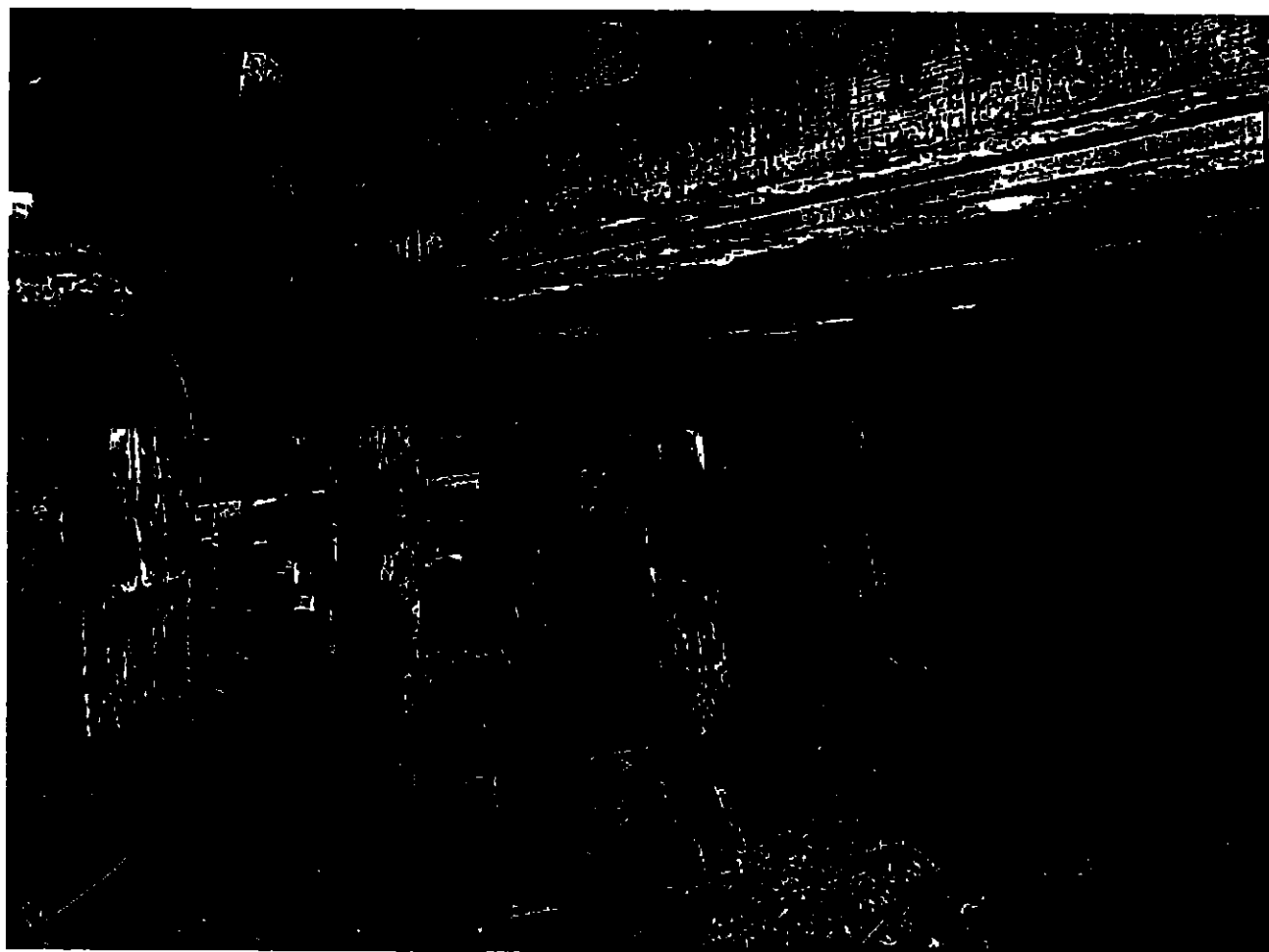
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Mr Thomas J Healey
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RE STB, AB043 SUB NO 183X, DYERSBURG, DYER COUNTY


Dear Mr Healey

In response to your request, received on Wednesday, October 31, 2007, we have reviewed the documents you submitted regarding your proposed undertaking. Our review of and comment on your proposed undertaking are among the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. This Act requires federal agencies or applicant for federal assistance to consult with the appropriate State Historic Preservation Office before they carry out their proposed undertakings. The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has codified procedures for carrying out Section 106 review in 36 CFR 800. You may wish to familiarize yourself with these procedures (Federal Register, December 12, 2000, pages 77698-77739) if you are unsure about the Section 106 process.

After considering the documents you submitted, we determine that THERE ARE NO NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES LISTED OR ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES AFFECTED BY THIS UNDERTAKING. We have made this determination either because of the specific location, scope and/or nature of your undertaking, and/or because of the size of the area of potential effect, or because no listed or eligible properties exist in the area of potential effect, or because the undertaking will not alter any characteristics of an identified eligible or listed property that qualify the property for listing in the National Register or alter such property's location, setting or use. Therefore, we have no objections to your proceeding with your undertaking.

If your agency proposes any modifications in current project plans or discovers any archaeological remains during the ground disturbance or construction phase, please contact this office to determine what further action, if any, will be necessary to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. If you are applying for federal funds, license or permit, you should submit this letter as evidence of consultation under Section 106 to the appropriate federal agency, which, in turn, should contact us as required by 36 CFR 800. If you represent a federal agency, you should submit a formal determination of eligibility and effect to us for comment. You may find additional information concerning the Section 106 process and the Tennessee SHPO's documentation requirements at <http://www.tennessee.gov/environment/hist/federal/sect106.shtm>. You may direct questions or comments to Joe Garrison (615) 532-1550-103. This office appreciates your cooperation.

Sincerely,


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